



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58637

Atsushi UCHINO

Appln. No.: 09/544,544

Group Art Unit: 2665

Confirmation No.: 7510

Examiner: Daniel J. Ryman

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For:

NODE-SEARCH METHOD, DEVICE, AND MEDIUM ON WHICH A

NODE-SEARCH PROGRAM IS RECORDED

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-9 and 13-17 have been examined. Claims 1, 2, 4-9, 13-15 and 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Also, the Examiner has indicated that claim 16 is allowed.